

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 26, through page 2, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

If appropriate, and due to the greater cost of grafted polypropylenes (and more generally of grafted polyolefins) in comparison with their unmodified homologues, a person skilled in the art who was satisfied with an intermediate level of mechanical properties has already manufactured blends of unmodified polypropylene and of grafted polypropylene in order to achieve the desired level. Thus, Patent Application GB 1 335 791 on behalf of ~~Eastman Kodak~~ MITSUI PETROCHEMICAL discloses blends of unmodified polypropylene and of polypropylene grafted with maleic anhydride which exhibit a level of tensile strength intermediate between that of the unmodified polypropylene and that of the grafted polypropylene (cf. Table 3 and 6) or, at best, equivalent to that of the unmodified polypropylene (as illustrated in Table 1).

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 12-22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The polypropylenes under consideration in the different aspects of the invention can be selected from propylene homopolymers and from copolymers of propylene with one or more comonomers, and from blends of such polymers. The comonomers can be chosen in particular from the linear olefins described above, in particular ethylene, from styrene monomers, such as styrene and α -methylstyrene, and from alkadiene; the polypropylenes are preferably devoid of repeat units derived from an alkadiene. The content by weight of units formed from the comonomers in the ~~polyethylenes~~ polypropylenes is advantageously less than 30 % by weight and preferably less than 10 % by weight. It is understood that the term

“polypropylene” is intended equally well to denote the polypropylenes as described above taken in isolation as their blends.